

BEULAH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Rev. Dr. Andrew McDonald, Pastor

Tim Fritz, Liturgist

Ellen Cooke, Worship Music Leader

16th Sunday after Pentecost

Morning Worship 9:00 a.m. September 28, 2025
(Please sign attendance book.)

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

The time is coming, and is now here, when true worshipers
will worship God in spirit and in truth,
for these are the kind of worshipers God seeks.

God is spirit.

Let us worship God in body, mind, and spirit.

Let us worship God in truth.

*Hymn #482, “**Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty**”

*Prayer of Confession

**God of compassion, we confess that
we have not loved as You have loved us.**

We pass by those in need.

We justify ourselves by saying we are too busy,

or it is not our problem,

or it would cost too much,

or we don’t want to get involved,

or they don’t deserve it.

**We confess that when we fail our neighbor in need,
we fail You.**

Teach us anew to follow Your call, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

Hear the Good News! The past is finished and gone.

In Christ, everything has become fresh and new.

God’s reconciling love is for us all.

Believe and share the Good News!

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

In Jesus Christ, we are a new creation!

*Gloria Patri

Welcoming New Members

Team Jesus

Offering / Offertory Music

*Doxology #592 “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

Scripture **Luke 10:25-37**, pg. 71

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“Parable of the Good Enemy”

*Hymn #339, “**Be Thou My Vision**”

* Prayers of the Community and the Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts,

as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation,

**but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the
glory, forever. Amen.**

*Hymn #478, “**Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven**”

*Charge / Benediction

*Congregational Response #108 vs/ 5

Christ is alive, and comes to bring

Good New to this and every age.

Till earth and sky and ocean ring,

With joy, with justice, love and peace.

*Postlude

**Indicates to stand as you are able – for everyone to rise in spirit.*

Today's Sermon

Of all Jesus' parables, one of the most well known is the Parable of the Good Samaritan. There is one glaring problem. Read the story again. Nowhere does it refer to the Samaritan as "good."
When we don't know what a "Samaritan" is, we miss the most scandalous dimension of this parable. So look again, listen again, think again, about what this parable is saying.
Jesus turns the world upside down, again.

New Members

Beulah thrives through the strength of its's members. If you are ready to take the next step in your spiritual journey by joining the church, please talk with Dr. McDonald or call him at 402-480-3786.

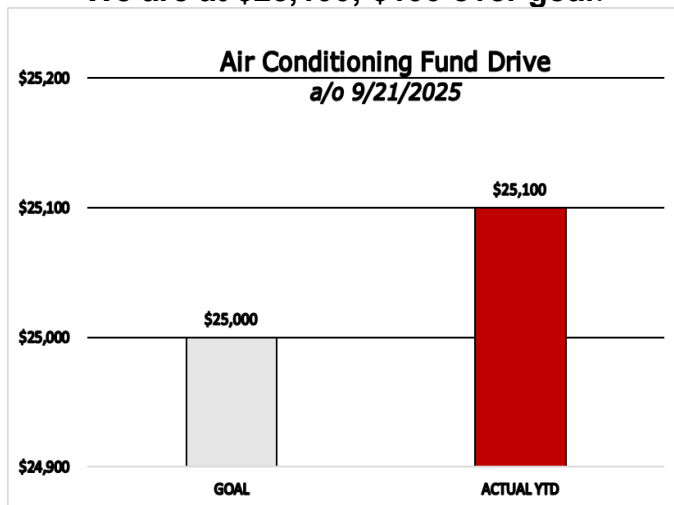
Save the Date - Join the Team

The Quad City Area CROP Hunger Walk is next **Sunday, October 5, 2025**. Check-in is from 1pm-2pm at Caxton Building/Bethany for Children & Families, 1701 River Drive, Moline. Please come walk with us, if you can, and fight hunger at home and across the globe. Peanut butter and jelly are being collected at the CROP Walk;
NO glass jars please.

Beulah Calendar

Sunday	September 28	9:00am	Worship
Sunday	October 5	8:00am	Deacon Meeting
		9:00am	Worship / Communion / Food Pantry Collection
		1-2:00pm	QC Area CROP Walk Check-In

We are at \$25,100; \$100 over goal!



This week's Home Study Lectionary Readings

Lam 1:1-6 Lam 3:19-26 Ps 137 Hab 1:1-4, 2:1-4
Ps 37:1-9 2 Tim 1:1-14 Luke 17:5-10

Barbara Anderson will be turning 99 years young on October 6th.

We are invited to 1st Presbyterian Church, Coal Valley, to join them in Worship at 10:30am to celebrate Reformation Day (10/26/25).

Note: There will NOT be a Worship Service at Beulah that day.

After Worship there will be a Scottish festival to enjoy.

Events include Scottish games for kids, food, bagpipes, face painting, etc. We encourage you to bring friends!

More information to come!

Prayer List

Heather DeHaven	Robert DeVries	Norma Gordon
Martha Green	Cathy Morgan	Dylan Preston

Missionary relatives and friends of our church family

Ted & Kim Treadway in Guatemala.

Please Remember These Members in Your Prayers

- ♥ Barbara Anderson
- ♥ Louise Green
- ♥ Joyce King
- ♥ Don Paulsen
- ♥ Terry Vincent
- ♥ Jackie Williams

KINDNESS / noun

Loaning someone your strength
instead of reminding them of their weakness.